

# DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH POLICY/PROCEDURE

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#### **PURPOSE**

1.1 To provide guidelines regarding tardiness and resultant possible disciplinary action.

# **DEFINITION**

2.1 Tardiness is a failure to appear on time for duty. Employees may sometimes be late for a variety of reasons which may not be within their control. Regardless of reasons, however, tardiness causes lost production, reassignment of work, disturbance to other employees already at work; and excessive tardiness causes extra burdens for other employees.

## **POLICY**

- 3.1 All employees shall report for work on time. When tardiness occurs, the employee may be docked for the time not worked.
- 3.2 When tardiness affects performance standards and causes a hardship to the staffing needs of the division or unit, the employee subjects himself/herself to disciplinary action which may include a warning, reprimand, suspension, or discharge.

## **AUTHORITY**

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